

Nationwide protests on use of deadly force by law enforcement ...

Should the CPRC Consider Some Extended Outreach?

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Premises for Extended Outreach Proposal ...

- Current / recent nationwide protests against use of deadly force by law enforcement
- Perception by the some members of the public that such use of deadly force is racially-motivated
 - instead of being driven by the actions of the perpetrator
 - regardless of his or her race

Riverside Already Has a Solution – the CPRC

- 1) Do local protestors know about the CPRC, what we do, and why we exist?
- 2) Are local protestors educated about split-second decisions that law enforcement professionals have to make?
- 3) In the interest of **evolution** and **transparency**, don't we owe it to the citizens and protestors to AT LEAST LISTEN to their concerns?

Does Riverside Currently Have a Problem w/perception of racially-motivated deadly force?

- Many would say “no”
- So why do anything? Why not “do nothing”?

CPRC Mission Statement

The Community Police Review Commission was created in order to **promote public confidence** in the professionalism and accountability of the sworn staff of the Riverside Police Department.

Does “doing nothing” promote public confidence when all of these nationwide protests are occurring?

➤ ***Probably not***

Doing something => Evolution

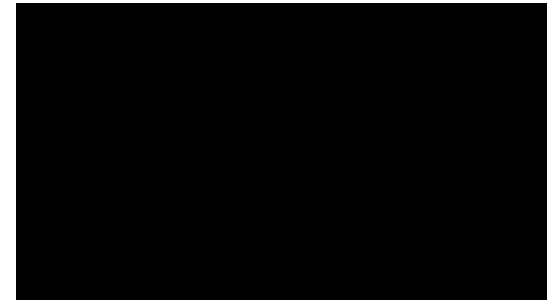
What Type of Extended Outreach?

- With RPD leadership, we should consider meeting with the leadership of local organizations with an interest in these nationwide protests.
- Which organizations?
 - I'm the CPRC rookie here so I don't know - but my guess is that we can come up with a list.
 - This can be my action item if we decide to proceed

Agenda for Such Outreach Meetings?

CPRC & RPD go together ...

- 1) Acknowledgement of the nationwide protests and perceptions
 - simply acknowledge (not admit) the perceptions
- 2) RPD - reforms undertaken within RPD since 1998 Tyisha Miller incident
- 3) CPRC - overview of the CPRC, why it exists, what it accomplishes
- 4) Suggest education on use of force (news clip video) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yfi3Ndh3n-g>
- 5) Listen to their concerns



Discussion ... not just a Presentation

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Why RPD and CPRC Together?

- Wouldn't that create the impression that the CPRC is captive to the RPD's point-of-view?
 - No - start by explaining that the solution to these types of issues involves including EVERYONE in the discussion ... including the group we are reaching out to
 - There is no "US", no "THEM"
... there is only "WE"